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ARKANSAS.

The Fourth Reunion of the Deaf of Arkansas.

HELD AT THE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF,

Little Rock, Ark., June 10, and Was a Very Successful Gathering.

(From the Optic.)

The fourth reunion convention of the Arkansas Association for the Deaf convened at the Arkansas Deaf-Mute Institute on the 10th day of June, 1896. The courtesies of the Institute had previously been extended to the members of the association.

On account of the excitement of the marriage of Mr. Brown and Miss Tallant the association was not called to order until 8 o'clock P.M.

Mr. A. M. Martin, president of the association, called the meeting to order, with Mr. Hunter S. Edington as acting secretary in the absence of Mr. Andrew L. Norris.

Supt. Frank B. Yates, who was present with all his smiles, was requested to open with prayer. This he did in the most graceful sign language.

Miss Mattie Wadley, one of the new graduates, signed, by request, "Nearer My God to Thee."

Prof. Yates then welcomed the association to the Institute, which is the *alma mater* of nearly all the members. He expressed his pride at seeing so many intelligent looking ladies and gentlemen and felt gratified at the result the Institute was accomplishing. He told of what great good the association had done and would do for the Institute. He said what the papers said of our association at Dardanelle had greatly advertised the school and had been the cause of inquiry from many who had deaf children to send to school. He urged the association to always act as gentlemen and ladies wherever they went and they would have no course for regret, and their pleasure would endure always. Mr. Yates' welcome address created a very good expression especially among the members who had never seen him make an address before. Several of the members had to use their handkerchiefs during his address.

Mrs. Mary Dunn, of Van Buren, made the reply to Mr. Yates' welcome. She spoke of the pleasure it gave her to be under the roof of her *alma mater* again and said she felt very much as if she was at her home, having spent so many years in it both as a pupil and a teacher. She knew all the other ex-pupils thought, as she did, that the school was now one of the best in the land. She, in the name of the association, thanked Prof. Yates and through him the Board of Directors for extending the hospitality of the Institute to them. She closed her reply by looking up to God and saying, "I hope God will bless and prosper our school forever." Much applause was given both Prof. Yates and Mrs. Dunn at the conclusion of their speeches.

The next in order was enrollment of members. Here some discussion was indulged in on account of the fee of membership. Mr. Michaels wished to admit female members free, but was strongly opposed by Mr. Lamb who insisted on the ladies paying the usual 25 cents for membership fee. It was agreed to throw in the association badges which had cost members 10 cents extra, to each member who would pay the 25 cents membership fee. The following stepped up and signed their names and paid the 25 cents membership fee:

Ladies:—Annie Williams, Columbia Mays, Marry Hatton, Louie Lloyd, Lizzie Michaels, Susan W. Harwood, Gertie Milligan, Mattie Wadley, Sammie Michaels, Christine Holmstedt, Nora Norris, Minnie L. Edington, Allie M. Lamb, Belle Elmore, Mary Ballard, Ida Childers, Eva Vance, Pearl Ray, Mary Cockburn, Jennie Shipley, Lillian Hickman, Bessie Michaels, Lucindia Payne, Mary W. Michaels, Mrs. B. T. Allison, and Emma King.

Gentlemen:—John W. Michaels, Charles P. Coker, B. T. Allison, Oscar Atkeison, Stonewall J. Ogle, Albert Turner, George D. Martin, Virgil Owen, Arthur Mashburn, Hunter S. Edington, Rufus H. Lamb, Sidney W. King, James H. Haney, Harry B. Shibley, Charles Lamb, William F. Murphy, Edward Dolan, Robert P. Owen, Isaac B. Gardner, A. M. Martin.

On motion of Mr. Michaels all the teachers and officers of the Institute who had not enrolled as active members were enrolled as honorary members.

On motion of Mrs. Michaels, Mrs. E. H. Vance, of Malvern, who was present was unanimously elected a honorary member. She accepted with many thanks.

President Martin then made his address. He gave a complete history of the result and pleasure of the meeting of the association at Dardanelle, and while it was old to some it was news to many, and he was interrupted many a time with applause. Finishing this he laid some business points before the association. He gave as a reason why the date for holding the fourth reunion, a year earlier than the date fixed at Dardanelle, that it was considered more convenient to have the association meet prior to the convening of each Legislature so as if the association had anything to ask for they could deliberate on such and ask for it while the iron was hot instead of waiting nearly two years to present the request. He spoke of the home for the aged, infirm and orphan deaf of the State, and proposed that a committee be appointed to ask legislative aid, and for a tract of public land and to be authorized to sell said public land for the purpose of raising fund to build a home. He spoke also of the benefit it would be to the deaf as well as to the hearing to have the manual alphabet taught in all public schools in the State. He also spoke of the wisdom of selecting the next place for the meeting of the association, suggesting that it be a place where the deaf are not known so as to arouse public interest and show the people what benefit the State is doing by educating its deaf citizens. He said by following this advice all the State would soon know there was a deaf school and accordingly there would be no uneducated deaf children in the State. He also spoke of a compulsory law by which all deaf children, six or eight years of age, should be sent to school, and punishment dealt to parents and friends who kept them away over that age for the purpose of working on the farm which is the case with many of the deaf in the State. He concluded by asking the members to make the convention a success and to show themselves gentlemen and ladies. His speech was loudly applauded.

The president then announced there was no necessity of appointing the usual various committees, but that the association as a whole would act as a committee. He, however, thought it well to have a committee on nominations, and it was moved and passed that he appoint one. Messrs. Murphy and Allison and Mrs. Lamb were accordingly appointed.

On motion of Mr. Coker the election of officers was postponed until 9 o'clock A.M., June 11, 1896.

Mr. Michaels spoke of the proposed excursion up the Arkansas River on Friday, June 12, 1896, so as all would know and be ready.

Mrs. King, as usual, moved to adjourn. Mr. Michaels suggested that after adjournment the members indulge in a little sociable in the chapel. The motion was seconded and carried. The association adjourned at 10 P.M., and the sociable broke up at 11 P.M.

THURTDAY MORNING, JUNE 11, 1896, AT 9 A.M.

The association was called to order at 9 A.M. by the president.

Mrs. King was requested to offer prayer. This she did.

Mrs. B. T. Allision, of Pine Bluff, signed "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Secretary protem called the roll and all answered expected Mrs. Lucindia Payne who had to return home. The minutes were read and accepted.

It was reported the agent for the excurison was present and wanted to sell tickets, but the association decided not to purchase tickets until the members go to the boat, and on motion of Mr. Dolan it was decided to buy tickets from the agent on hand there.

The president said the report of the committee no nominations was in order and a report was presented. Two were nominated for each office, leaving the association to vote for the one they wished. For president Messrs. C. P. Coker and A. M. Martin were nominated. Mr. Coker was elected. For first vice-president Miss Mary Hatton and Mr. H. S. Edington were nominated. Miss Hatton was elected. For secretary Miss Belle Elmore and Mr. Harry B. Shibley nominated. The vote was a tie, and the president cast the casting vote in favor of Miss Elmore, who was elected. For treasurer Mr. R. H. Lamb was nominated and elected unanimously. For chaplain and patron Mr. John W. Michaels was nominated and unanimously elected. Mr. Michaels said that the constitution called for three vice-presidents, and nominated Mr. Shibley for vice-president Mr. King seconded the nomination and Mr. Shibley was elected. Miss Ava Vance, one of the new graduates, was nominated and elected third vice-president, Miss Elmore moved that a corresponding secretary be appointed. Her motion was seconded, and Mr. A. M. Martin was elected to the new office. The retiring president then requested the chaplain to administer the pledge of office to the incoming officers. This being done, each made a neat little speech of thanks and assumed control of the office.

Mrs. King moved that the chaplain be asked when it would be convenient to him to deliver his sermon as prescribed by the constitution. The motion was carried and the chaplain arose announced it would be convenient to him to deliver the annual sermon at 8 P.M. same day.

The suggestion made by Mr. Martin in his speech about the home for the aged, infirm and orphan deaf of Arkansas was brought up, and after much discussion it was decided to make an appeal to the Legislature for assistance. The Board of Directors was authorized as a committee to make the request to the Legislature in January, 1897, in behalf of the association. The same committee was appointed to see what could be done about the manual alphabet. Mr. Michaels said in regard to the alphahet matter that he had already made an appeal to the Legislature to have the alphabet in all spellers and readers taught in the public schools, and that when the legislative committee was ready to report the reguest as favorable they discovered the text-books were published outside of the State, and they had no jurisdiction over the publishing houses, and that a law requiring the alphabet would be of very little use. He suggested that instead of the alphabet being in spellers or any text-book it be asked simply that the alphabet be required to be taught in the public school, and that they be printed at the Institute and so many sent to each county superintendent of public schools to be distributed among the schools. The expense thereof be met by each county. The money to be paid to the credit of the Arkansas Deaf-Mute Institute. The matter was left to the committee and rested.

Miss Vance moved that the association be photographed. Miss Hatton seconded the motion, and it was decided to photograph the association on the front steps of the Institute at 5 P.M. Mr. Michaels was appointed to photograph the association and he promised to do so on condition the members bought enough to pay expense.

It being dinner time, motion was made to adjourn until 8 P.M. The motion was carried.

At 8 P.M., the association was called to order by President C. P. Coker.

Miss Elmore, the secretary, being sick Mr. Edington was appointed acting secretary. Roll was called, minutes read and accepted.

The chaplain, Mr. Nicholas, was then asked to deliver his sermon. He came forward and offered a fervent prayer, giving in details the meaning of each section of the Lord's Prayer.

Virgil Owen signed "Jesus Lover of My soul."

The text, "Thou art weighed in the balances and art found wanting," was then written on the blackboard, and the story of Belshazzar was told in forcible sign language, and all of a sudden the question, "How many Belshazzars have we here to-night?" was put by the chaplain, and when heads began to shake as if giving a negative answer, he added "you are one and all Belshazzars," and began to prove it by the weights of the ten commandments and wound up by saying all could tip the balances against the weight of all the ten commandments if Christ was taken in to help. The sermon proved to be a very good one for the occasion, and the chaplain has been urged to make the trips to all places where there are three and more deaf-mutes in the State, this he has promised to do at his expense, provided the deaf will try and take up a collection to pay him back again at the end of the sermon.

"Nearer My God to Thee" was signed in concert by Misses Wadley, Mays, Shipley and Milligan,

The doxology was then signed by the chaplain who was followed by the entire association.

Business was again resumed.

Mr. Willis Young, of Dardanelle, wished to make some resolution or law requiring the railroads to give us reduced rates to our gatherings.

Mr. Michales, who was chairman of the committee on arrangements, arose and said the association could make such a resolution, but it would not control the railroads, as there was already a rule of the railroads to give one and one-third rates to all gatherings to which one hundred or more people went to and that said rates had been granted our association, and that if the president could under oath say that one hundred members had tickets to our gathering the one-third rates could be gotten. The matter was dropped.

Mr. Allison moved that the association go into the discussion of a place for the next meeting of the association. He named several places, such as Hot Springs, Eureka Springs, Pine Bluff, etc. It was agreed to go into the discussion, and Mr. Allison nominated Pine Bluff, his home, giving a glorious account of the town and the sulphur spring and pavilion near by.

Mr. Lamb nominated Hot Springs, giving so clear an account of the place that all felt as if he or she was right there in the streets and big hotels, and drinking in boiling water and indulging in the luxurious baths there. He spoke of Pine Bluff as an unfit place. That it was too hot and too many sons of Ham lived there for him.

Mr. Dolan of Pine Bluff, agreed with Mr. Lamb and said he did not think Pine Bluff a suitable place for a deaf convention.

Mr. Michaels was then looked to, and he took the platform and thanked Mr. Lamb for the pleasant description of Hot Springs, and said he had been in Arkansas twenty years and right here at the door of the famous resort for all sorts of people and he had not yet had the pleasure of entering it, that Mr. Lamb's description had almost persuaded him to go there on the next train after the convention adjourned and see the place and the coach that Jesse James had held up, but yet he did not think the pockets of the deaf were large enough to stand the exorbant prices there, yet he thought if the association accepted the place he would nomiate all could go to Hot Springs and see it all at a cost of only the railroad fare which would be about twenty-five cents for each member. He then laid before the association a proposition made by Mrs. Vance that if the next convention was held at Malvern she would guarantee that board and lodging and everything would be gratis and that an excursion would be giving to Hot Springs, which is only an hour's journey from Malvern. He then nominated Malvern amdist applause for the town and Mrs. Vance.

Mr. Martin agreed with Mr. Michaels, Mrs. Vance and Malvern.

Mr. Lamb was on his feet again all undaunted. He took a firm stand for Hot Springs and said it would not suit him and the members of the association to accept the hospitality of Mrs. Vance and the people of Malvern. It looked too much like tramps. He would rather act independent and pay $1.50 or $2 a day at a hotel than to have the members depend on others. [Applause.] He hoped the association would decide on Hot Springs.

Mr. Martin again arose and argued the accepting such hospitality had no semblance to tramps. That while church and religious and newspaper conventions accepted such hospitality, he could not see what harm it would do the deaf to accept it. [Applause.]

Mr. Allison spoke of camp meetings and other such things.

The president then wanted a vote on a place, when Mr. George Martin nominated Eureka Springs; but all interest was centered on Hot Springs and Malvern, and as it would require three or four changes to get to Eureka Springs it had no support.

A vote was taken with the result of 33 votes for Malvern and *one* (Mr. Lamb) for Hot Springs.

Malvern was declared the choice of the next convention amid clapping of hands and waving of handkerchiefs and smiles of both Mrs. Vance Miss Eva.

Next came the discussion on a date. Some wanted it on the 4th of July, 1898; some wanted it in June immediately after close of school in 1897, so as to give the attending members an opportunity to attend the commencement of the Institute.

Supt. Yates said he would be glad if the date was fixed so as all the members of the association could attend the commencement of the Institute and that the oftener the association held meetings the better for it.

After much discussion the time and date for the next meeting of the association was left to be fixed by the executive committee, which by the constitution composes the Board of Directors of the association.

Mrs. Allison moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Supt. Yates, and through him to the Board of Directors of the school and all the officers of the Institute for kindness shown the association. All hands went up on this motion.

Mrs. Dunn moved that the association adjourn *sine die*. Motion carried and Mr. Michaels offered prayer in which he invocated the blessings of God on all and prayed He would protect the deaf people of Arkansas and the world and that He would let the members of the association meet again; if not here then in Heaven.

The convention was one of the most pleasant and orderly that any one, teacher, officer, deaf or hearing has ever witnessed.

Resignation of Dr. Stainer.

We are informed that the Rev. Dr. Stainer, Superintendent of the Deaf Department of the London School Board, has resigned, and that a successor will be appointed after the Summer vacation. Dr. Stainer has held the position for twenty-one years, and we are glad to learn that it is the intention of the Board to show their appreciation of his work and length of service by awarding him the highest pension it is in their power to give. Dr. Stainer has resigned solely because of his desire to be relieved of part of his very onerous duties. Dr. Stainer is nearly seventy years of age.—*British Deaf-Mute.*

COLUMBUS.

Our Correspondent Visits the "Smoky City."

WANDERING OVER THE OIL FIELDS.

Changes at the Cleveland Day School--Other Notes.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Leaving Bellaire Saturday afternoon at the end of a four hours' ride were landed in the smoky city of Pittsburg. Messrs. Matt Mullen and———Taylor took us in charge and showed us about and made us feel at home. Later we were taken to the hospitable home of Mrs. Mullen, and during our stay in Pittsburg made this our headquarters. Mrs. Mullen rendered everything possible to make our stay pleasant. Really their home is six miles out from Union Station, being part of East Liberty, but the train service is so complete that it takes but a short time to reach it at any hour of the day. Mr. Mullen's duties are under the superintendent of construction, and are responsible, requiring care and forethought to carry out the innumerable orders. His superintendent, owing to ill health, has been away for some time, and Mr. Mullen is sole lord of the office, but as he understands the duties the absence of his boss is not missed. Matt attends strictly to business, and that is no doubt one reason why the company retains him in its service, notwithstanding the duties are sometimes dangerous to one who is deaf.

Sunday we attended church services conducted by Mr. Leitner of the Edgewood School. The attendance was not large. Here we had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. McClurg and two daughters, and several others whose names have escaped our memory. He took us through the stockyards Tuesday afternoon. Everybody has read of them, but very few have an idea as to their extent and capacity.

The grounds occupy from 50 to 75 acres, and are one sea of covered sheds, divided into pens for sheep, cattle, hogs and horses, with every arrangement for feeding and watering. There are a number of offices in the place where sales are made, and scales where the stock is weighed.

We called on Mr. and Mrs. Stout. The latter, *nee* L. Sawhill, is an Ohio girl. Here her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Collins, of Braddock, were visiting.

Monday morning, in company with Mr. Sawhill, we visited the school at Edgewood. Everybody seemed busy, for examinations were in progress preparatory for the closing of the term on the 24th. Mr. Sawhill appeared at home here, for we were told that he is a frequent visitor at the school and entertains the pupils' societies at their meetings with stories, at which he is a master hand in delineating. Ohio men and women were strictly in evidence here, there being five teachers and a foreman of shops, and then no wonder, the building itself is after the Ohio idea, being constructed on a similar plan as that of the Columbus School.

Foreman Bardes of the shoeshop was turning out some good work, while that of the carpenter shop is far ahead of what is being done at the Ohio School in the way of cabinet work. This is no doubt due to having a competent foreman and retaining him, instead of changing the man every few years. Superintendent Burt, aside of looking after the general run of affairs of the Institution and school, was also superintending the construction of a $17,000 hospital for the Institution. All the wood work thereof is being done by the pupils of the school, thus saving a considerable expense. Next we went to Braddock to the home of Mr. Sawhill, and after dinner Messrs. Davidson and brother-in-law, and Mr. Allabough from Edgewood, put in an appearance. A visit to the famous Edgar Thompson steel works, where the three former are employed, was made. All three of the gentlemen were at leisure for the time being, the makings of rails having been closed down for a while. A permit was obtained and the party enjoyed the afternoon going through the mill and noting the process of making steel. It was an interesting sight to one unaccustomed to the work, and dangerous, too, to one who is deaf, to be employed there.

Wednesday morning about ten, after a couple of hours' ride found us in Taylorston, away from smoke and bustle and among hills and shafts, the latter telling but too plainly that we were now in the oil regions. A short drive from the station in an express wagon, and we were at the door of Mr. and Mrs. Willie S. Sawhill, also former Ohio pupils, Mrs. Sawhill before marriage being Miss Emma Kob. Miss Kitty Munnell, of Mansfield, was a visitor at the place and a greeting was of course extended Mr. Sawhill was away from home at work a mile or so distant, superintendenting the pumping of five or six wells. Mrs. Sawhill took us over the hills in the afternoon to where her liege lord reigned.

The wells are scattered, and it's Mr. Sawhill's duty to look to the running of the engines, take the gauge of the tanks, and report each evening at the office in town their measurement of oil. Aside of this he has very little else to do, and time with no companion near to converse with hangs heavy with him. The company is so well pleased with him that it would not exchange him for a hearing man. It also pays him well, $1.77 per day, including Sundays and holidays, when no work is required.

While at Mr. Sawhill's, Mrs. Laura Barns, of Washington, Pa., was a caller. She was educated at the Romney and Edgewood schools.

Friday morning found us back in Columbus, rested and the wiser from a nine days' stay away from home.

According to the *Cleveland News and Herald* the Board of Education of that city has made some changes of the teachers, in the deaf-mute day school. Last year there were three teachers the next there will be but two. The Committee having the matter in charge in their report provided for a teacher at $1200 to take the place of the two at $750 and $500, and they recommended that one new teacher be paid by state appropriation. We have not been able to learn which of the three teachers was dropped.

Through an oversight we failed to mention at the proper time, that at the recent meeting of the trustees, Mr. Ernest Zell was chosen teacher of art at a salary of of $420 per annum.

Mr. A. H. Schory and family left Saturday noon for Minerva, where they will spend the vacation on his mother's farm.

Mrs. M. E. Morris, Class '98 Gallaudet College, has come to this city and has secured work in the state bindery for the vacation. Miss Sadie Young, another of the Co-Eds of Gallaudet College, is passing the vacation in Columbus with relatives.

Messrs. Ezra Hedges and C. C. Whitehead turned up here Friday to play with one of the many Columbus base ball clubs occasionally. The latter has been given work in the Institution, assisting in house cleaning.

There was an excursion from down the Hockey Valley to Columbus Wednesday. Among the crowd were Messrs. John Barnes, Frank Evans and J. C. Pier. They visited the Institution and found plenty of mutes to talk with.

A. B. G.

June 27, '96.

Harvard Honors Dr. Bell.

At the Annual Commencement of Harvard University, held at Cambridge, Mass., June 24th, 1896, the honorary degree of LL.D., was conferred on Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the Telephone and prime mover in the Speech Association of the Deaf.

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"He's true to God who's true to man;
Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

A PRETTY FAIR IDEA of the work of the National Convention can be obtained from a perusal of the columns of this and last week's paper. It was a gathering of the educated deaf of both sexes such as no other country in the world can produce. The orderly and business like methods of conducting the proceedings demonstrate a plethora of information respecting parliamentary usage. The newspapers of Philadelphia gave the public fair, and succinct accounts, which were quite creditable to the deaf world. Only one paper read failed to get unanimous commendation, and that was the paper entitled "The Proscription of the Sign Language." Dr. Crouter got quite warm over it, but he received respectful attention from those who did not altogether agree with him. There were no interruptions like those which assailed him at the convention of oralists at Lake George, when he was obliged to exclaim in amused desperation, "Where am I at!" All realized that they were in his bailiwick and consequently it was expected he would go on record in controverting anything inimical to the methods pursued at Mt. Airy.

The Pennsylvania association had a full house at every session, and the character of their work showed a constant activity between conventions that might well be imitated by other State organizations of the deaf.

We publish full accounts this week of both gatherings, and include the paper that created the most discussion.

For the Philadelphians, we can reiterate the conclusions arrived at on former occasions of like character: Philadelphia is courteous and hospitable to the strangers within her gates, and this applies with double force to the authorities of the Institution at Mt. Airy.

THE Board of Education of Chicago has appointed Miss McCowan "Supervisor" of the Chicago Schools for the Deaf. Miss McCowan has been Principal of the Chicago pure-oral school, a private establishment at Englewood. The new "Supervisor" will by the terms of appointment give up her oral school and work under the direction of Superintendent Lane. The committee who made the appointment agreed that "a combination of the oral and sign methods was advisable."

To one afar off this a decided advantage to the oralists, and proves that Dr. Bell's missionary work in the "Windy City" was not vain. However, there is a straw of comfort in the decision of the committee as to methods. But is the new official of the newly-created office familiar with more than one method of deaf-mute education? Does she understand the manual alphabet and signs, or is she an expert only in pure-oral teaching? We hope Miss McCowan will prove herself of the same mental calibre as Miss Taylor, Principal of the Portland, Me., Schools, who assumed office under almost identical conditions, and has carried out the wishes of the committee, who decided that a single method would not suffice, but that "more flexible" methods were needed. To-day her success is attested by prominent citizens, public officials, and the parents of the pupils. The oral work done is of a high grade, and no pupil is deprived of the chance to acquire speech. The "supervisor" of the Chicago Day Schools for the Deaf has a grand opportunity before her. We hope she will be allowed to work unhindered by "advice" and untrammeled by opposition. Let the attitude of the deaf be charitable and unprejudiced. We must never be accused of that spirit which inquired "Can any good thing some out of Nazareth."

AN international congress of the deaf will be held in Geneva, Switzerland on the 19th to 23d of August, this year. Invitations are extended by two committees, one Messrs. J. Salgzeber, J. Ricca, L. Fontanellaz, G. Secretan, of Geneva; and the other, Messrs. H. Genis, E. Dusuzeau, E. Simon, E. Endres, and H. Gaillard, of Paris.

Three topics of importance are to be specially brought forward: (1) The actual condition of the deaf-mutes, and the best methods of promoting their welfare, (2) The circulation of the manual alphabet among the hearing, (3) The re-establishment of the combined system in institutions now following a single metnod.

We wish our transatlantic brethren a successful meeting, but can hold out little encouragement that the deaf of America will be represented at the Congress.

ITEMIZER.

Abbreviated News Concerning Deaf-Mutes.

The idea is to gather into this column items that relate to deaf-mutes personally, or to institutions for the benefit of deaf-mutes. We hope our friends and readers will keep us supplied with items for this column. Mark items to be sent: *The Itemizer.*

On July 4th, the Deaf-Mute Field Club play the Dauntless at Far Rockway, L. I.

Eight deaf-mutes and two hearing persons attended the Fanwood Quad Club's picnic on their wheels.

Mr. Ormond C. Lewis, of New York, will attend the convention at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, on July 1st or 2d.

One of the newsboys at the Northwest corner of Ninth Avenue and Twenty-third Street, New York City, is deaf and dumb.

A cartoon of two deaf and dumb tramps, labeled "they don't speak as they pass" appeared in last Sunday New York *Herald*. How funny!

What has become of the Fanwood Quad Club Bicycle Club? The number who now own wheels has increased since such club was suggested about a month ago.

These hot summer days find a geat many deaf-mutes at Coney Island. Their headquarters seems to be at Stauch's Newark House. On a Sunday a dozen or more are often found there.

There is a movement on foct by several members of the Quad Club to have an outing some time during the month of August. Probably to one of the numerous attractive spots on Long Island.

Miss Katie L. Baldwin, of Cambridge, N. Y., is visiting her brother William, in Council Bluffs, Iowa. She expects to remain several weeks. Her mother died three years ago, and her father on the 22d of last May.

Mr. John O. McCambridge, of Lyons Farms, N. J., formerly of Denver, Colorado, and his family, will move to Kansas City, Missouri, in September, where he is offered a very good job with his eldest brother, at the Armour Beef Company.

Next Saturday, July Fourth, promises to be a gala day for New York City. The deaf will have an opportunity to see the many Blue and the Grey survivors of the late Civil War parade up Broadway and Fifth Avenue.

At the Fanwood Quad Club's picnic a number of admirers of the "National game," as baseball is known, were discussing the chances of the New York Giants, and all expressed a wish that Hoy's club—the Cincinnati Club—would win the pennant if the Giants couldn't.

At Mappsville, Accomac County, Wednesday, June 24th, Mr. Frank Atwell Lindsay, of Charlottesville, a brother of J. H. Lindsay, Editor of the *Progress*, was married to Miss Pearl Beatrice King, daughter of Rev. J. L. King. Both the groom and bride are deaf-mutes and graduates of the Virginia Institution for the Deaf.

There are three deaf-mute baseball teams this summer in Greater New York: the Xavier Deaf-Mute Baseball Club, under the management of Mr. Grogan; the Deaf-Mute Field Club, just organized and managed by Mr. James F. Donnelly; the Lexington Athletic Club, composed of graduates and former pupils of the Institution for the Improved Instruction for Deaf-Mutes, Sixty-seventh Street and Lexington Avenue. The first two named clubs are in it for what they can make out of the sport, while the latter is only in the field for glory. Thus far none of them have succeeded in obtaining much of what they are after, but the baseball season is not half over yet. As yet these clubs have not played with each other.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Closing Sessions of the Convention of the Deaf at Philadelphia, Pa.

MR. McGREGOR'S PAPER ON "THE PROSCRIPTION OF SIGNS."

Formal Resolutions Unanimously Adopted--The Excursion to Atlantic City--The Banquet at the Continental--The New Executive Committee.

SPECIALLY REPORTED FOR THE DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24TH.

The meeting was called to order at 10:55, by President Fox.

Rev. J. H. Cloud offered prayer.

Prof. Draper, of Washington then read a paper on "The Future of the Deaf."

Mr. Geo. W. Veditz's paper, "Recent Occurrences among the Deaf of Germany," was read by Mr. Fox, in signs, Prof. Walker reading it orally.

Mr. George's paper—"Recent Occurrences among the Deaf of France," was delivered in signs by Mr. W. G. Jones, Prof. Booth reading orally.

This was followed by a paper entitled "Manual Training for the Deaf," by Mr. Warren Robinson. Mr. D'Estrella rendered it in signs, and Dr. Crouter orally.

A letter of regret from Mr. Theo. A. Froehlich, of New York, was read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer's report was read and audited.

The following were announced as members of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. H. Cloud, Missouri.
R. M. Zeizler, Pennsylvania.
T. F. Fox, New York.
S. J. Vail, Indiana.
Geo. T. Dougherty, Illinois.
A. W. Mann, Ohio.
Geo. S. Porter, New Jersey.
Miss A. B. Barry, Maryland.
Amos G. Draper, D. C.
E. L. Chapin, Virginia.
W. H. Rothert, Iowa.
Miss A. M. Tiegel, Minnesota.

It was then urged by motion and debate to make the officers of the Association *ex-officio* members of the Executive Committee, but no vote was taken.

Mr. E. A. Hodgson's paper, though scheduled for Friday, was then read in signs by himself, Prof. Walker reading it orally. It was entitled "The Bread-and-Butter Problem."

The following committee was appointed to prepare a plan for the federation of organizations of the deaf: Messrs. E. A. Hodgson, James H. Cloud, J. M. Koehler.

The meeting then adjourned till Friday.

AT ALL SOULS'.

Revs. J. H. Koehler and Austin W. Mann, assisted by Revs. J. H. Cloud, Job Turner, and Mr. W. G. Jones, lay-reader, held religious services, with holy communion, at All Souls' Church, on Wednesday afternoon. The church was crowded, and the services very interesting.

THE EXCURSION.

The excursion to Atlantic City, on Thursday was a rather dismal one. It either rained or was so damp and soggy as to make every one feel uncomfortable. Very little bathing was done. About two in the afternoon, Photographer Pach, with an able corps of assistants and a grand array of spectators circled, round, took the excursionists in a group on the steps of the Tampa House.

All returned at seven o'clock, reaching Philadelphia about nine, and though weary and damp and bedraggled, the crowd was not at all a melancholy one.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, JUNE 26TH.

It was a few minutes after ten when President Fox called the meeting to order.

Prayer was offered by Rev. P. J. Hasenstab.

Mr. Koehler then delivered in signs his paper on "Recent Occurrences among the Deaf of Great Britain," Rev. Dr. Gallaudet reading it orally.

Two telegrams of greeting were then read, one from Secretary Howard, of the Chicago Pas-a-Pas Club, the other from President A. R. Spear, of the Minnesota Alumni Association.

The new officers were then installed, each making a few appropriate remarks.

Chairman Hodgson, of the committee on Plan of Organization, reported that no effective plan could be made up at short notice, and asked that the committee be empowered to formlate a plan and adopt it, with the approval of the Executive Committee, during the interval before next convention. This was agreed to by a formal vote of the members.

Mr. Albert Berg rendered in signs, (Prof. Walker orally) Mr. R. P. McGregor's paper—

THE PROSCRIPTION OF SIGNS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—That signs have been under proscription in most parts of Europe for over a century is well known to you. Up to within a decade, however, the deaf of this country had happily escaped this curse upon their happiness and usefulness. That this curse, for we can not look upon the proscription of signs in any other light, has reached this country is due to several causes, prominent among which is that we are living in an era of reform. The wave of reform has struck and overturned about everything in its path, including the Bible. The old fashioned Hell is too hot for the reformers, Sheol being about the right temperature to suit them. Under the circumstances it is not surprising that signs should come in for their share of reform so; it has come to pass that the fiat has gone forth that signs must be proscribed both in our schools and out. But as the great mass of God-fearing people still stick to the old fashioned Bible of their fathers, so the deaf still stick to their signs despite the outcry made against them. In this matter at least they are inclined to the belief that reform is not always progress.

If the reformers simply wished to reform the sign language we would not complain, but meet them with open arms. Their method, however, is too drastic. It resembles too much the way the man proposed to reform the dog's crooked tail—by cutting it off close behind the ears!

It is true that there are a great many things in this world that are constantly in need of reform, and these are not a few—political interference with our schools for instance, that need to be proscribed; but the sign language is not one of them.

Under the wise, fostering care of the pioneers of deaf-mute education in this country, the Gallaudets, the Peets, the Turners, the Fosters, and many others whose honored names you will readily recall, the language of signs reached a perfection of clearness, accuracy, eloquence and power, unknown in any other part of the civilized world. And the results attained by its use in our schools, and out, were and are still the envy of the deaf of Europe; so much so that they are now, and have been for many years, agitating for the lifting of the proscription against signs in their own countries. In other words, the wave of reform is rolling just the other way over there.

Is it not a little curious then to see signs just beginning to be proscribed in this country? And by whom? By the deaf themselves? Not by any manner of means! They have a deep-rooted conviction that their *happiness* is bound up in signs, and they grapple them to their hearts with hooks of steel.

By whom, then, are signs proscribed?

By a few educators of the deaf whose boast is that they do not understand signs and do not want to; by a few philanthropists who are likewise ignorant of the language; by parents who do not understand the requisites to the happiness of their deaf children and are inspired with false fears by the educators and philanthropists.

These few have banded together and, backed up by unlimited wealth, send forth men and women who travel all over the country from Maine to California the year round, insidiously creating and fostering everywhere a false, a forced, an artificial sentiment against signs. They also have access to the public press and, by making use of impecunious and sensational writers, seek to make what is old appear new and convince the uninitiated that what is white is black. And worst of all they ignore the deaf themselves in their senseless and mischievous propaganda against signs. Professing to have no object in view but the benefit of the deaf, they exhibit an utter contempt for the opinions, the wishes, the desires of the deaf!

And why should we not be consulted in a matter of such vital interest to us? This is a question that no man has yet answered satisfactorily.

We are not opposed to speech-teaching and lip-reading. On the contrary we appreciate them at their full value and are eager to learn to speak and read the lips, but, at the same time, we have forced upon us by actual and bitter experience the limitations of these accomplishments, and in a manner that no one in the full possession of his hearing can either appreciate or understand, and we are thankful that God in his goodness has given us something to fall back upon to facilitate free, untrammelled communication among ourselves, and that is—Signs. We do not object to speech, but we do most strenously object to the proscription of our signs—our own language.

And why can not speech-teaching and signs exist side by side? Why should there be any antagonism between them? Why this irrepressible conflict?

The teachers of speech contend that signs prevent the acquisition of speech, and others who use the manual alphabet to the exclusion of signs claim that they hinder the mastery of English. These are the main indictments brought against signs, but this is neither the time nor place to discuss them. It is sufficient to say that the deaf themselves utterly repudiate both counts, and their own experience upholds them in their position and nothing can shake their abiding faith in the utility of signs.

They are a unit in this the world over, while the opponents of signs are not agreed among themselves. Some of their authorities hold that signs may be permitted in teaching the younger pupils, as an aid in the acquisition of English, to be dropped as soon as they can express themselves in English; while others, equally high as authority, insist that no signs shall be permitted in the beginning of the course, but that they may be permitted after a sufficient command of English has been acquired. Still others insist that signs shall never be used even after the pupils have left school.

When doctors disagree, who shall decide? The deaf themselves have decided. Like a stone wall they stand united, the whole world round presenting a solid front to any interference in their use of signs.

They recognize that signs are liable to abuse, just as any other good God-given gift can be and is abused by His creatures, but that is no reason why the gift should be wiped off the face of the earth. They have always, sometimes strenously and sometimes passively, resisted all attempts to proscribe their language. In point of fact, the proscription of signs is a proscription that does not proscribe, as is fully attested by pupils and graduates of pure oral schools where the use of signs is most rigorously forbidden under severe penalties.

The utmost extreme to which tyranny can go when its mailed hand descends upon a conquered people, is the proscription of their national language, and with the utmost rigor several generations are required to eradicate it. But all attempts to suppress signs, wherever tried, have most signally failed. After an hundred years of proscription in Germany and Austria they still flourish, and will continue to flourish to the end of time.

What henious crime have the deaf been guilty of that their language should be proscribed? By means of it they are enabled to enjoy social intercourse to a degree that artificial speech and writing can not afford; by its means they enjoy religious instruction and worship, things denied even the very best products of oral schools among the hearing; by its means lectures and other literary treats are open to them, and the amount of happiness it affords them is simply beyond computation. This being true, to proscribe signs or to deprive the deaf of them under any pretext whatever, is an act of Nineteenth Century tyranny which for refinement of cruelty deserves to be classified with the Seventeenth Century inquisition.

One of the most pitiable objects imaginable is a deaf person orally taught whose command of speech is not sufficient to permit him to mingle freely with his hearing neighbors and friends, and who is, by the false kindness of well-meaning friends, denied the privilege of using signs and mingling with his fellows. Cases are not infrequent of such being driven, by their utter loneliness and isolation, to suicide or the Insane Asylum.

That our Oralistic friends and others who wish to proscribe signs are sincere in their conviction that signs are "an evil thing," and that they believe that they are the salvation of the deaf from an educational and social point of view, we have not the least doubt; but that does not exonerate them from the evil consequences of their actions or palliate the vast injury they do to the deaf or the misery they cause. The Chinese in compressing the feet of the children are sincere in their belief that they are doing them a special favor, and the Spanish Inquisitors may have been sincere in their belief that they were saving the souls of their victims by subjecting them to the rack and flames; but that does not lessen the pain and deformity they caused or exonerate them from the responsibility of their needless infliction. They were mistaken and may be pardoned when they stand before the great White Throne upon the plea of ignorance, want of information or enlightenment. But no such plea will suffice for these tortures of the deaf in this enlightened age. They are fully informed of the feelings of the deaf, and if they choose to ignore their pleas, turn a deaf ear to their cries, shut their eyes to their tears, and their mute appeals for relief, upon them will descend the denunciation: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it to me."

With the deaf all over the world to-day protesting, with all their might, with pen and tongue and hands, against the proscription of their language, no man can plead ignorance.

By all means let speech be taught to every deaf person to whom it promises the least benefit, and let finger-spelling be used for all it is worth, but at the same time EVERY teacher of the deaf should have a good knowledge of signs, and ALL the deaf, whether orally taught, finger taught, or sign taught, should and MUST have the benefit of lectures and religious services in the sign language.

This is the platform upon which all the deaf, without distinction of creed, color or nationality, stand to-day, and will stand forevermore; and may He who never turns a deaf ear to the cries of His children, no matter how humble they be, hear us and grant us relief from this unjust, this unreasonable, this inexplicable proscription of signs with which we are threatened in this country, "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

"O, speed the moment on
When wrong shall cease, and Liberty and Love
And Truth and Right throughout the earth be known
As in their home above."

The paper had the effect of bringing to the platform Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, Principal of the Pennsylvania Institute for the Deaf at Mt. Airy, who said:

"There are two side to this question. Why does society maintain deaf schools? Certain not to teach signs. Signs may add to the happiness of the deaf, but the schools were not instituted for this purpose. They are to impart to the deaf a knowledge of the English language. If a teacher stands and make signs to the deaf, the pupils will never understand English. I say that the educators of the deaf should help the teachers who are trying to give the deaf a knowledge of the English language. If a deaf person wants to study signs, let him; but that is not the purpose of schools. The deaf must study how to read and write English, not signs.

"Oralists are cruel. They believe in teaching speech and trying to do it do the best of their ability. They desire to give pupils the English language in order that they speak it and understand it. I am no extremist. I believe in giving a child an education which will enable it to compete with the rest of the world."

Rev. Dr. Gallaudet made a few remarks, in which be emphasized the value of signs to the deaf, and was frequently applauded.

Hon. J. R. Kenny, Mayor, of Reading, Pa., was introduced by President Koehler and spoke for a few minutes upon his interest in the deaf and his desire to promote their welfare.

Mrs. Sylvia C. Balis took a conservative view of signs, but showed a broad spirit in commending all methods that have been proven of value.

At this point, on motion of Rev. Mr. Cloud, the discussion was closed.

On motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Hodgson, all papers on the programme not read were ordered to be included in the printed report of the convention.

Mr. Pach was excused from reading his paper.

Chairman Hodgson, of the Committee on Resolutions, presented the following, all of which was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Resolved, That the educated deaf people of the United States assembled in National Convention, while believing in the value of every method of instructing the deaf and dumb, are clearly of the opinion that no one method is sufficient, but that the greatest good to the greatest number will be reached by the use of a diversity of methods forming a system both flexible and human, because capable of adaptation to the respective needs of individual pupils.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Board of Directors of each school for the Deaf in America, and that it be published in all periodicals and newspapers devoted to the interests of the Deaf.

WHEREAS, In various States, by legislative action, without other justification than official precedent, the Institutions for the Education of the Deaf are placed in the category of public charities and are often subjected to regulations and provisions of the Department of Charities and Corrections; and,

WHEREAS, The Deaf are entitled to an education on the same basis as children possessed of all the five senses; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the deaf, in convention assembled, representing every State of the Union, protest against such discrimination and denounce it as unjust and antagonistic to the spirit of the American Constitution.

Resolved, That, in the event of persistence in placing the deaf on the same level as paupers and criminals, it would be consistent with true Americanism for the parents, relatives and friends of the 50,000 deaf of the United States, allied with the deaf themselves, to form a body politic for the purpose of enforcing the justice of their demands.

Resolved, That the members of the Executive Committee of this Association be authorized and requested to present printed copies of this preamble and resolutions to the members of the Legislatures of their several states.

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward A. Fay has been devoting himself for several years past to the collection and classification of statistics concerning the marriages of the deaf in America, which are now being published in the *American Annals of the Deaf*; and,

WHEREAS, the publication of such statistics and the conclusions deduced therefrom will be of value in dissipating false ideas and misconceived theories regarding such unions, and will be of practical benefit to the deaf in many ways; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Fay has given himself, and his time, to this work voluntarily and generously, without remuneration; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf, in convention assembled, hereby expresses its hearty appreciation of what Dr. Fay has done and is doing, and tenders him its warmest thanks; and,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Association transmit a copy of these resolutions in writing to Dr. Fay, and that they be placed upon our records and published in the various papers for the Deaf.

Resolved, That we, the educated deaf of the United States, recognizing the unselfish labors and devoted zeal of the late William Gurney Jenkins in behalf of the deaf, deem it a duty to contribute some lasting memorial to show our gratitude and to perpetuate the record of his eminently useful life.

Resolved, That a committee to carry out this suggestion be appointed by the presiding officer of this convention.

Resolved, That we condemn the iconoclastic leaning of the single method fanatics, who are continuously attempting, either directly or by innuendo, to depreciate the value of the sign language—a language indispensable in religious, literary, social, and other gatherings.

Rsolved, That, appreciating the importance of employing the best available means in the instruction of the deaf, we extend our sincere thanks to Edward Miner Gallaudet, Ph.D., LL.D., President of the Association of American Instructors of the Deaf, for his earnest and steadfast advocacy of a a broad and liberal system in the education of the deaf.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are extended to the authorities of the Drexel Institute; to the Principal and Directors of the Mt. Airy Institution; to the railroads and hotels for reduced rates; to the Philadelphia newspapers for courteous and fair reports of our proceedings; to the retiring officers and committees of the convention; and, to Prof. J. P. Walker and Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet for service in orally interpreting the papers presented to the convention.

E. A. HODGSON,
J. H. CLOUD,
P. J. HASENSTAB,
Committee on Resolutions.

Treasurer Balis' complete report since last convention, showed the receipts to be $375.62, and the expenditures $314.72, leaving a balance in the the treasury of $60.90.

The action of the previous session, in providing for an amendment to constitute the Board of Officers *ex-officio* members of the executive committee, called forth much debate, but was eventually shown to be unconstitutional by Mr. Dougherty, who called attention to a section requiring that notice of thirty days be given upon all amendments. So the old law remains.

Secretary *pro tem.*, Mr. Gross, read the minutes of the meeting, which were adopted.

The president, in compliance with a motion adopted, appointed the committee on Revision of the Constitution by including the Committee on Federation, and the committee now is made up as follows: Messrs. Dougherty, Hasenstab, Hodgson, Koehler and Cloud.

After the benediction by Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet, President Koehler declared the convention adjourned *sine die*.

THE BANQUET.

In the evening at nine o'clock, over a hundred gentlemen and ladies assembled in the spacious parlors of the Continental Hotel, to participate in the banquet which was to wind up in good cheer and witty speeches, the week of arduous labor in the convention sessions.

The table was in the form of an Π with President Koehler at the head. It was beautifully decorated with candelabra, cut flowers, ferns, crystal and silver. The menu was excellent, and the responses to the toasts were made in a happy vein. We would like to reproduce some of the things said, but that would require discrimination which would not be satisfactory to all who mounted a chair just after the colored servitors had placed the ices and confections within reach. Following is the menu and list of toasts:—

"Now good digestion wait on appetite,
And health on both."
—*Macbeth.*

MENU.

Little Neck Clams
Cresses
Consomme Chatelaine
Grilled Blue Fish au Madeira
Olives
Potato Croquettes
Deviled Crabs
Sweetbread Cutlets Asparagus Tips
New Potatoes
New String Beans
Lettuce Salad
Toasted Chicken Brie Butter
Glace
Fruit Cakes
Cafe Noir

"Frame your mind to mirth and merriment,
Which bars a thousand harms and lengthen life."
—*Taming of the Shrew.*

Rev. J. M. Koehler Presiding.

TOASTS.

"The N. A. D." . The New President
"The P. S. A. D." . . The President
The Mt. Airy School and Sister Institutions
Dr. A. L. E. Crouter
Our Missions . . Rev. A. W. Mann
The Ladies G. T. Dougherty
Sister Societies J. S. Reider
Industrial Schools for the Deaf
J. P. Walker
Feminine Ideals . Sylvia Chapin Balis
Deaf Journalists . . E. A. Hodgson
Conventions Albert Berg
Where are We At . . . A. L. Pach
Memorabilia . Ex-President T. F. Fox

Toasts—Impromptu

The names of those present were—there were others—but the following we were able to secure:

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. E. Crouter, Prof. J. D. Kirkhuff and Miss Lackore, Prof. E. S. Thompson and Miss Young, Prof. S. G. Davidson and Mrs. Davidson, Prof. Gruver and Miss Hinkley, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. C. Balis, Canada; Miss A. B. Barry, P. J. Leonard, R. E. Underwood and Miss E. Loughridge, Miss Kate C. Sarges. J. W. Buck, Albert Berg, and Miss Helen Vail, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Vail, Ind.; Mr. Roberts, Washington, D. C.; Miss K. Painter, Miss Lentz, Phila.; Geo. T. Dougherty, Chicago; Miss Kate Keen, Miss J. A. Foley, Phila.; F. Gray, Alleghany City, Pa.; Mrs. Cora Ford, Lewis Ash, Pa.; Michael D. Barnitz, York, Pa.; Cyrus Chambers, D. C.; Oscar Young, Miss A. Zeust, Miss May Stemple, Wm. L. Davis, Miss Nettie Stemple, E. A. Hodgson, N. Y.; R. M. Ziegler, Miss Block, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Lipsett, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Breen, E. D. Wilson, Mrs. Thos. D. Delp, John P. Kennedy, Pa.; Mrs. Ortlip, Miss Ortlip, B. H. Crider, Mr. Zorn, Ohio; Miss Kershner, Pa.; Mr. Guese, Albany, N. Y.; Miss K. Eisele, Prof. and Mrs. F. W. Booth, Mr. Goldman, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. M. Heyman, New York; Prof. Thomas F. Fox, N. Y.; Miss Schoenenberger, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore, Ohio; Miss A. C. Schatz, Reading; J. P. Kennedy, Wm. Fries, Phila., Mrs. E. Brown, Harry G. Gunkel, Phila.; Miss Dora Kintzel, John Rosensteel, D. A. Rosenbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Phila.; Daniel Paul, Jr., Carlisle, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Reider, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Loew, Rev. A. W. Mann, Miss E. Parker, Rev. Jas. H. Cloud, St. Louis; Mrs. M. J. Syle, Mr. and Mrs. Haight, N. Y.; A. L. Pach, N. Y.; Prof. Wm. G. Jones, N. Y.; Miss Dora Heim, Pa.; Rev. J. M. Koehler, Rev. Mr. Chamberlain, N. Y.; H. Van Allen, N. Y.; J. Sullivan, Miss Carroll, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. d' Estrella, California; Miss Maxwell, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. Gross, Mo.; Miss Spanton, Mr. and Mrs. R. King, Phila.; Miss Cora Reed, Pa.; Miss L. Hagy, Reading, and Lloyd Hutchinson.

WITNESS A DEAF-MUTE.

LAWYER LEWIS GOT EXCITED BECAUSE HE DIDN'T ANSWER.

John Gillespie was placed on trial before Judge Fitzgerald on General Sessions to-day for robbing the apartments of May Brown, at 621 East Fifteenth street, on May 22.

Assistant District-Attorney Lewis was prosecuting the case, and called the first witness, who was a Mr. Power. There was no reply.

Mr. Lewis worked himself up to a degree of excitement. Then he had a court officer bring Mr. Power to the bar. He asked the Court to punish him for contempt.

It turned out that Power was deaf and dumb, as was another witness in the case.

In consequence of being unable to find any one that could interpret the sign language, the case went over.

SERVICES FOR DEAF-MUTES JULY 5th.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, 3 P.M.

St. Ann's in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, N. Y.

St. Mark's Church, Adelphi Street, Brooklyn. Holy Communion.

St. John's Church Yonkers, 7.45 P.M. Baptism.

The service in Trinity Church will be omitted.

NEW YORK.

The Quads Have a Big Picnic.

AND A RECORD BREAKER

The Largest Crowd and Best Financial Returns in Years--Chairman Capelli Wearing Another Feather in His Plume--Return of the Weary Wanderers to Philadelphia -- The News of the Week.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Theo. I. Lounsbury's address is 226 East 59th Street, New York City.

Chairman Capelli of the Committee of the Quad Club's picnic did himself proud last Saturday, as well as did the other two members, Hoffman and McManus. The picnic proved a record breaker in regard to attendance and the gate receipts, and the club's exechequer will be considerably increased, but by just how much can not yet be reckoned; nor need the attendance be guessed at, for between the opening, and closing of the gates hundreds had passed in and out, though at one time there were between three and four hundred persons.

As early as half past two o'clock, the picnickers began to arrive, and the inflow kept on until the closing hour. At five o'clock the bowling contest took place, there being two prizes—the first a $7.50 Colt's self-cocking revolver for gentlemen, and the other a dozen Rockwood photographs worth $6. The revolver was carried off by young George Walsh, who, it is to be hoped, will not let the idea enter his head to go West and shoot injuns. Mrs. R. H. Kohlmetz captured the ticket for a dozen photographs. The shooting match had to be abandoned for the reason that the rifles were not on hand as had been contracted for.

The merry crowds scattered all over the park, but the dancing pavilion was the drawing card, and the excellent music furnished by J. Miller enraptured the lovers of Terpsichore that all the dances on the program were gone through. In addition to this there were many who journeyed up the hill to Mr. Philip Wendel's excellent hostelry, and partook of the good output of his kitchen, and from this height viewed the country lying east of the Harlem River, which is as good a view as can be obtained from any other high point of vantage.

All the New Yorkers, who went to Philadelphia to attend the convention, were back to take in the picnic, and with them came Sidney J. Vail, of Indianapolis, Ind., but why the others did not turn up can only be conjectured. Perhaps it was the picnic in Philadelphia on the same date, and perhaps it was the depleted condition of pocket-books.

The officers of the afternoon and evening performed their duties with military behavior and greatly enhanced the dancing. Floor Manager Charley LeClercq is a veteran in the line, although young in years, and his pretty wife who accompanied him presumably thought that he had lost none of his boyhood charms. The floor committee who had their names emblazoned on the dancing order were Arrow-Moustache J. F. O'Brien, with his Atlantic City, tanned face, and a smile for every girl, who wore a "If-you-love-me-please-grin" button; Plumber Fred. Knox, Chaplain Leo. Greis, Lady's Man Redington, Handsome Bachrach and Pretty-Girl's-Brother Ira W. Tyler.

Messrs. E. A. Hodgson, Charles Haar, the Harlem heavy weight and his rival, James Russell, Bicycle-cranks, Meinken and Soper and ex-Sergeant Morris were a very entertaining reception committee.

It was pleasing to note that there were almost as many ladies as gentlemen, and it can truly be said that the picnic was a great social success.

Of course the funny men with their funny business were there, but before they could form a ring, they were quietly escorted out, and informed that their rings could not be pitched on the grounds. This ever-to-be-expected side issue is part and parcel of any outing, and that there is but one or two such occurrences of this kind is gratifying.

The club members were nearly all present, while the Union League, Xavier Club and Lexington Athletic Club were well represented. A lot of Brooklyn and Jersey people were present, but somehow those from California and others states, as announced last week to be expected, were detained at Philadelphia.

The one objection to Fort Wendel is the steep inclined pathway, but, all things considered, the club could hardly make a better selection, and most likely will engage the park again next year, unless some ambitious committee finds a better place at a fair rental.

Those from this city, who went to the Philadelphia Convention last week, were fourteen in number, as follow: Mr. and Mrs. M. Heyman, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Haight and Miss Essie Spanton and Messrs. E. A. Hodgson, Thomas F. Fox, W. G. Jones, A. L. Pach, J. F. O'Brien, Leo. Greis, Geo. Lindemann, C. L. Schindler and the "Ted." Counting George S. Porter, of Trenton, and Washington Houston, of Philadelphia, there were just eleven members of the Quad Club there, while J. F. O'Brien was the only member representing the Xavier Union and Geo. Lindemann, the German Society. Where were the U. L., L. A. C., and some sort of a society called the M. L. A.?

What a good time they all had! Yes, call it excellent. Only one New Yorker braved the breakers at Atlantic City. One Ohioan—Zorn—must have credit for swallowing the salt water and also clams, while all the rest were Pennsylvanians, among whom most prominent was the stalwart Bob Zeigler.

From Chicago were the sun-singed beards of Messrs. Dougherty and Hasenstab visible for two squares, while young Jackson canvassed, or rather tried to—for a paper bearing some sort of a burlesque of a name.

The Convention was good so far as sociability went. The college boys and those honored with degrees ran everything. There were discussions on "points," an election, and two or three papers read, —and some eight or ten thousand dollars of good money spent by those who attended. Some good resolutions were passed—also some hot discussion on the oral-manual-combined systems.

For sociability, the convention was a great, glorious success.

Dat's all.

The Pennsylvania State Association of the Deaf seemed hard up for good material and re-elected their President, who had previously been elected president of the National Association.

Be it to the credit of Bob Zeigler as chairman of the local committee, he did things to a nicety; as did Tom Breen.

Atlantic City is fine, but Coney Island *beats* the World.

Albert Berg was the social lion of the hour.

Dr. A. L. E. Crouter proved himself a true friend of the deaf, and few will forget his kind hospitality and wholesomeness of heart.

The only one night owl in Philadelphia was from New York, and it is said he fell down a coal chute one morning; any how he turned up at his hotel looking as if he had been through the performance. This joke on him is not generally credited.

Sidney—Old Uncle Sidney Vail—was there, of course; did you ever see a convention without him?

Miss Lowery, a semi-mute lady, of Cincinnati, who teaches a private pupil by the oral method, was in this city last Sunday. She goes to the "Oral convention" at Mt. Airy, and will return to New in time for the Union League's excursion.

Mary Gilmartin, who has been receiving an annual stipend granted by the Department of Charities, is likely to lose it because she is not naturalized and no one knows how to administer the necessary oath. This is how the city papers state it:

"Papers were not granted to Mary Gilmartin, thirty-seven years of age, of No. 216 Canal Street. She came to this country when she was three years old, and is deaf, dumb and blind. For several years past she has drawn a yearly pension of $37. She was accompanied by her aged mother. Clerk Loos told the women to return on Monday, and in the mean time he will take advice as to the manner in which the oath may be administered to a person who can neither talk, hear nor see. Miss Gilmartin's father, now dead, was a citizen for over twenty years."

Mr. Anson T. Colt conducted the services at St. Ann's Sunday, to tho surprise of those present. Revs. Gallaudet and Chamberlain were in Philadelphia to attend the conference of Church workers among the deaf, and the bishop appointed Mr. Colt to fill the vacancy.

Prof. Joseph Marius Magnat, of Paris, the well known advocate of the oral system, is in town, having arrived Sunday on the La Bourgogne, and was met by Dr. Bell. He leaves this week for Philadelphia to attend the convention of the American Association to Promote the Teaching of Speech to the Deaf.

Henry Kohlman flew off to far Rockaway last week, and had a royal good time, as good as two ten-course dinners.

Carl Koenig will go to Hawley, Pa., July 1st, to be gone two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Heyman are still sojourning in Pennsylvania.

Sidney J. Vail, who came to town to take in the picnic, and see his old friends, left Tuesday for Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, the slow old town, is getting a great, big adv. these days. Many of us New Yorkers were surprised to find the horse cars had, but two wheels in tandem style, owing to the narrow streets. Perhaps, after all, we didn't see good.

The only ones to get lost in Philadelphia were J. F. O'Brien, and Leo. Greis, The former mistook a Walnut Street Car for a Butternut one, and the latter got on a Beechnut Street Car instead of a Chestnut Street one. Peanut and Hickorynut Streets are fine thoroughfares there, but no one saw them while there. Alex. L. Pach nearly got lost on Cocoanut Street, but a kind black policeman directed him to Broad and Pine Streets, and he was in the folds once more.

The many friends of Alfred Kleme, now in Germany, are anxious to hear from him. He is a hearty good fellow, and well liked here. Why he keeps so silent is puzzling his friends. It is said that Jacques Alexander and parents will shortly sail for Europe.

Alex. L. Pach is a contributor to "The Gleaner's Budget" in the *Evening World*. The frequent mention of the deaf can be traced to him.

T. F. Driscoll, supervisor at Dr. Greene's school, will summer in the Berkshires.

Mrs. M. R. Palmer, of Albany, will be on the Excursion on July 15th.

The New Jersey Deaf-Mute Society have their picnic on Saturday, August 29th, and will lay down a splendid program, which will consist of games, etc.

TED.

NEW MEXICO.

THE SCHOOL AT SANTA FE.

At Adam's Hall in the City of Santa Fe, occurred the commencement exercises of the New Mexico School for the Deaf and the Blind, last Monday evening. The hall was tastefully decorated with flowers, evergreens and flags, and on the walls thereof, in large evergreen letters, appeared the watchwords: "Life is Real, Life is Earnest;" "Our Ship sets sail today;" "Not for School, but for Life we learn."

The hall was fully crowded with a large and attentive audience of over three hundred ladies and gentlemen, who are interested in the education of the Deaf and the Blind. The interesting and varied program, consisting of fourteen exercises, was faithfully carried out in a manner that reflected much credit upon both teachers and pupils.

After the opening piece by the Santa Fe orchestra a brief invocation had commenced. Superintendent Larson then delievered an excellent opening address in the sign-language of the deaf-mutes, and at the same time his lady friend distinctly read it from the manuscript he had prepared.

The address gave much interesting information touching the progress of the work of educating the deaf and the blind, and closed with an eloquent and touching appeal to all for earnest co-operation in forwarding the work in this territory.

Daniel M. Anderson, of Albuquerque, one of the graduates, the delievered in the sign-language a carefully prepared and thoughtful essay on "Labor Conquers," which was well read at the same time by Miss M. Rideout, daughter of deaf parents, Charles H. Rideout and wife, of Delavan, Wis. This was followed by a fine selection on the piano by Mr. A. Conray, blind teacher of the blind at the School.

A certain pupil orally recited a little poem, and another pupil gave a funny story into signs about a monkey churning, which was interpreted by Miss Rideout.

A gentleman and some ladies kindly favored the audience with a fine song and chorus. The blind teacher gave another fine instrumental selection on the piano. Miss Rideout gave a recitation on "Poor Little Joe."

Frederick W. Weber, another graduate, gave in signs an interesting and worthy essay on the "Advantages of Education," with valedictory, also interpreted to the audience by Supt. Larson's lady friend. The hymn, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," was given in signs to the graduates by Mrs. Larson, while her two intimate lady friends sang it, the blind teacher accompanying them on the piano. It was very excellent and touching.

The Governor delievered a fitting address in presenting the diplomas to the graduates, congratulating them that they were now prepared to make their way in the world, and pledging himself to do all in his power to help the institution in to a better and more comfortable condition. The address was rapidly interpreted in signs to the deaf-mute audience by Miss M. Rideout.

A prominent Spanish speaking lawyer and an American lawyer both made brief addresses, praising the work of Mr. and Mrs. Larson, and the excellent progress of the school under their management. The exercises closed with a benediction.

The Santa Fe *Daily New Mexican* of yesterday, says that Prof. Larson's School is one of the most interesting educational institutions of the territory, and its work has been conducted well and successfully. Prof. Larson has been the pioneer in the work of educating, the afflicted of the territory for ten years, and has achieved success with honor, in spite of the many adverse circumstances connected with the school, and the department for the education of the blind has done good work during the past year.

SANTA FE, N. M.,
June 25, 1896.

MARYLAND.

AFTERMATH OF THE REUNION.

BALTIMORE, MD., June 28.—We would like to add a few words more about the reunion.

It was a very successful gathering, and all who attended feel well repaid.

The next reunion will be held four years hence—in 1900.

The following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. J. A. Trundle—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this assembly, the general use of the double-hand alphabet by the public in communication with the deaf, should be discouraged as being foreign to our country, inconvenient in practice and unfamiliar to a large majority of the deaf in the United States.

By Reamy—

Resolved, That the State Supt. of Public Instruction be asked to recommend that the single-hand alphabet used by the deaf be incorporated by all publishers of school books, in the Spelling and Reading books used in public schools, as presenting a useful exercise for the pupils, and an easy means of rapid and silent communication among the hearing, and between them and those who are deaf.

Mr. Buxton—

Resolved, That the practice of parents of withdrawing pupils from the schools for the deaf before the completion of their education is one that is so obviously unjust to the pupils that it calls for the severest censure of this Assembly.

By Mr. Volluse—

Resolved, That the Legislature of this State be influenced to the utmost to pass a law requiring all parents and guardians to send their children and wards of sufficient age to school.

By Mr. Underwood—

Resolved, That this Convention unanimously approves of the "Combined" System of educating the Deaf, which is at present most in use, it being established by the experience of the Deaf that this system best prepares them for the work of life.

By Mr. Leitner—

Resolved, That the thanks of the deaf of Maryland, assembled in convention at Frederick, June 17, 18, 19, 1896, be extended to the B. & O. R. R. and Penn. R. R. companies for the privilege of reduced rates to and from the Convention.

By Mr. Briscoe—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to the Board of Directors for the hospitality of the School.

By Mr. Mooney—

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Principal Chas. W. Ely for his constant efforts for our comfort and pleasure that contributed so greatly towards making our stay enjoyable.

By Mr. Tschiffely—

Resolved, That we heartily thank Miss Annie B. Barry for her kind assistance and attention to our comfort during our stay.

By Mr. Moylan—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. R. L. Rinehart, Miss E. C. Baugher for the matronly provisions for the wants of all, and to Mr. R. Thomas, supervisor of the boys, for decorating the gymnasium, etc.

By Mr. Benson—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to the committee, consisting of Miss Barry, Mr. J. A. Branflick, Mr. Wm. McElroy, and Mr. R. Underwood, for collecting money to buy the reclining chair presented to Mr. Ely.

By Mr. McElory—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to those who wrote papers for the Convention.

By Mr. McElroy—

Resolved, That hereafter no one should do any peddling while attending the Reunion.

By Mr. Underwood—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to Miss Harris and her assistants for decorating the platform in the chapel, and also to Miss Doub for the care she took in making the art room look attractive to the visitors.

By Mr. Volluse—

Resolved, That we give thanks unto the Lord for his kindness towards us in preventing any accidents to us during our stay here.

Rev. Mr. Hasenstab, of Chicago, preached to a large congregration of the deaf at the M. E. Church, on Eutaw Steeet last Sunday afternoon.

We had four noted clergymen here last Sunday. They were Revs. Messrs. Cloud, Mann, Koehler and Hasenstab.

Last Sunday night many deaf-mutes went to see the clergymen at Grace P. E. Church. Mr. Cloud gave a history of Moses who brought his people out of Egypt.

Last Monday Misses Barry and Sarges went to Philadelphia to attend the National Convention. They are expected home to-morrow evening.

Last Wednesday midnight, Misses Schuman, Kriesel, Schulte, Mrs. Friedeurich, and Messrs. Knoechel, and Butterbaugh, took the train for Philadelphia, where they met the deaf-mutes going to Atlantic City Thursday morning. They enjoyed the surf bathing in spite of the bad weather.

Mr. Whildin, our dear lay reader, sent us word that there would be no service to-day, as he could not be here on account of other arrangements. He is popular here.

Mr. J. Briscoe, well-known as "Wilford," has gone to Philadelphia to visit his relatives, and has an opportunity to be present at the National Convention, etc.

Mr. Albert Buxton's wife and little son are sojourning in Albert Co. Mr. Buxton is a grass widower.

Mr. Louis Nicholson, who has been attacked with measles, is improving rapidly at this writing.

Mr. Robert Birchette is the oldest church member of Grace P. E. Church. He has been a member of the church thirty-seven years. He was under Rev. Mr. Turner's instruction at the Staunton School for the deaf.

MYRTLE.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

From The Spartan, June 24.

The fact that the colored people of this State are becoming more and more interested in the great work that is being done by her sovereignty for the blind and deaf-mutes of their race at the Cedar Springs Institution, through Prof Walker, Superintendent, and his able corps of instructors, is attested by the immense crowds that gather there annually to witness the commencement exercises. The department for colored closed its session on Friday last. Conservative estimates place the number of visitors between five and six hundred, the largest in its history. Long before the hour for opening had arrived every space in the building—doors, windows, steps, and stair case—was filled, packed and pressed. Not alone did they come from Spartanburg and distant parts of the State. As a whole the visitors were a fair representation of the brain, intelligence and refinement of the race. Among them were ministers high in the public estimation, many classical graduates of reputable institutions of learning, ladies whose education and refinement entitle them to the respect and confidence of all, not as one might suppose mere curiosity seekers, but lovers of country, State and race, displaying a profound interest in their less fortunate brethren. We were pleased to notice the taste and tidiness with which Mrs. Geo. Mills had the home arranged, her graceful and motherly bearing upon the students committed to her care as matron of the colored department. She, assisted by her polite husband, Mr. George Mills, handled the immense audience with rare courtesy, patience and composure. Nature seems to have fitted her for this special duty. A visit to this institution in session, noticing their manner of instructing, will at once convince you that Prof. Walker has given his soul as well as his life to this work, studying and planning its advancement in each of its various departments. The students seem devoted to him.

Prof. Estes has charge of the colored blind. He is a gentleman of rare attainments and exceptional ability. Having visited his class rooms during his daily work, I can speak unreservedly of the great work he finds so much pleasure in doing. Prof. Carter has charge of the instruction of the mutes. To become convinced of his devotion to this tedious work is but to meet him in his school room. We noticed a class of small children having been only six months in the institution, whose advancement was simply astonishing—superior to any I have ever witnessed, even in my own schools. This in itself attests to the true and earnest zeal of Prof. Carter. The commencement program was begun by singing that charmingly beautiful anthem, "Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised," by Prof. Estes and his blind and well trained choir. The Rev. Mr. Kearse, of the M. F. Church, offered prayer. Then followed the regular program, which was carefully prepared and admirably rendered, reflecting credit on the management of the institution and the students. The parts rendered by the mutes were too solemn to applaud. Charles Miller, of Charleston, S. C., having completed his eight years' term in the mute department, received a certificate of proficiency, and in signs which none of us would have understood but for his interpreter, delivered the valedictory address, while tears unbidden came from the audience, school and classmates. Charles was a good boy and a favorite of his fellow students. His valedictory was a good one. Henceforth we trust that the eyes of the leaders of our race will be turned towards this worthy institution. There are various ways in which we can aid the State in the accomplishment of the noble purpose for which this institution was founded. The department for our people is not what it ought to be, but we are not unmindful of the fact that this department is simply on trial, and whenever the attendance and interest upon the part of our people justify it, adequate provision will be made by the State for their better and more comfortable accommodation. Let our ministry lend a hand.

D. H. KEARSE,
Pastor Spartanburg Ct. M. E. C.

NEW ENGLAND NOTES.

(By an Occasional Correspondent.)

John Culver has recently wheeled from Winchendon, Mass., through several towns to New Boston, N. H., where he called to see Mr. Almos Smith. Mr. Culver claims that it would be easy for him to make one hundred and fifty miles a day on his wheel.

The JOURNAL reporter had the pleasure of seeing, Mr. J. T. Keefe in Bellows Falls, Vt., a short time ago and found him comfortably fixed with his hearing wife. His business is prosperous. He is going to the N. E. G. A. Convention in Providence in August.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sears, of Dalton, Mass., are going to ride on their wheels to call on his mother in Pawlet, Vt., as soon as Mr. Sears is at leisure.

Frank Streeter, of Northfield, Mass., is in prosperous circumstances, owning a farm and raising poultry. His blind horse is a good roadster and easily driven. He can go twenty-five miles in half a day in spite of his blindness. He comes from fine-blooded stock.

William Daniels, who used to live in Salisbury, Mass., is at present living with his father in North Adams and working as a shoe-laster. His father, an old graduate of the Hartford School, is employed in an iron foundry.

Mr. E. K. Morehouse, a New York graduate, living in Williamstown, Mass., has quit the photographing business and is now engaged as a janitor of a church, a bank, society halls and public buildings of the town, doing well in that line.

Oliver F. Bastion, of Brattleboro, Vt., is enjoying a vacation of three weeks from the Estey Organ Factory, where he has a steady job.

The shop where Albert W. Chapman, of Keene, N. H., works, has been burned down three times and rebuilt. He is still in business at the old stand.

John and Daniel Shea and Mr. Ellis, shoe-lasters in Keene, N. H., are rushed with work just now.

Oscar Evans, of Winchendon, Mass., is a gentleman of leisure at present. He owns a very fine house in the town.

Miss Annie Gates, of Fitchburg, Mass., a well-educated graduate of the Clarke Institute, is now taking a rest of four weeks from shirt-making.

Chas. Risley, a New York graduate, is working in Dalton, Mass., as a laster, and he is also doing turn-work on shoes, earning good wages.

Julius F. Lang, of Lynn, has done a wonderful thing for himself and astonished the people of the busy city of shoes, by inventing a horseless wagon, with foot-power and bicycle gearing as the propelling power, manipulated by one man another on the tail end of the wagon. The whole outfit is a beauty and goes very easily on a level road. He made it for the carrying of passengers from the Lynn depot to Nahant Beach and will make a pile of money by it. He made it for business, not for fun. Mr. Lang deserves success for his courage and perseverance. The people of Lynn know the hustling deaf-mutes employed in the shoe factories and are very much interested in Mr. Lang's invention.

Henry C. White's health is improving slowly, but he hopes to get well faster by staying out of doors most of the time this Summer. He and Fred. H. Stover are partners as building contractors and the new firm has got the contract for building a fine residence in Brookline. Mr. Stover is well known as a smart architect and carpenter. He can point with pride to some of the finest dwelling houses in aristocratic Brookline as his own handwork. Mr. White comes from a family of contractors and builders. His father and uncles were all builders before him. His brothers built up most of the Back Bay but are now building big apartment hotels on St. Nicholas Avenue, New York City. Harry is in it for his health and business. He still retains his interest in the printing office of Acheson & Co.

Louis Hansen has been steadily employed as a carpenter on first-class buildings in Brookline, and is much liked by his employer, who may keep him busy until winter.

Mr. Rush Aldrich, of Lyndonville, Vt., has been staying in Boston for a few weeks and expects to return home on July 20. He has sold out his printing office, and will settle down on a farm and engage in the poultry business.

Henry Acheson's sister and her pretty daughter have come to Boston from the South to live. She was matron of the Atlanta, Ga., University, but has accepted the same position in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She is a talented woman and has written articles for several magazines.

AMERICAN TRAVELLER.

Walter B. Peet, the popular Columbia oarsman, was presented with a loving cup by the members of the Columbia crew just before the Freshman race at Poughkeepsie Wednesday. Mr. Peet has taken a kindly interest in the affairs of the Columbia crew and has served in the capacity of coach for two victorious crews.—*New York Evening World, June 27.*

FANWOOD.

The Lexington Athletic Club "Not in It."

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Other Visitors, and the News in Brief.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The game of ball between the Lexington Athletic Club and former pupils of Fanwood, Saturday, June 27, proved a mere farce. The Fanwoodites had everything then own way from start. I don't remember seeing any of the Lexington outfielders catch the ball once. The Fanwoodites knew they could not, so they were in no hurry in running the bases. Nine innings were not played; for seeing what easy game the Lexington boys were, interest in the game soon declined, and the spectators started for the Quad Club's Picnic at Fort Wendel. It was well attended, many former pupils of Fanwood being there, and it was a pleasure to meet them and talk of old times, or hear their varied experiences after they had left school.

Space will not permit me to give the names of those who attended. Suffice to say there were very many.

Prof. Joseph Marino Magnat, the celebrated instructor of the deaf and dumb, of France, in company with Alexander Graham Bell, LL.D., visited the Institution on Monday.

The following will show M. Magnat's opinion of the Institution and its work, from a translation of what he wrote in the register:—

"I am positively pleased with the kindness which I have received in this Institution. I will not say much of my astonishment in ascertaining the admirable organization in all the services of the establishment. But while not fully acquainted with its methods to say that the immense resources given the Principal and Professors, entail the obtaining satisfactory results. The responsibility is great as the means are abundant. Accept my congratulations and admiration for all I have seen.

MAGNAT.
Former Supt. of Paris Schools.

One evening last week, Frank Adams, the bell boy, challenged Benjamin Silvermond, the smallest boy remaining here during vacation, to play a match game of hand ball. Though small, he was spry, and gave the bell boy plenty of hard work in trying to keep ahead of him. At the end of the game, Silvermond had 18 points to Adams' 6.

Frank D. Sillman, whose right arm was cut off by a milk train, at Alameda, N. Y., was a former pupil of Fanwood. He graduated in 1894.

The JOURNAL compositors remaining at Fanwood during vacation, are: Frederick Bachman, Edward Rappolt, John Kaiser and Benjamin Silvermond.

The annual house cleaning, under the supervision of Miss Robertson, is well under way. Work on the academical building was completed last week.

The Institution is taking in its winter supply of coal.

Messrs. Erd, Rothert and Jackson, of Gallaudet College, were visitors Sunday.

Mr. S. Winne, formerly of Newburgh, but now of New Jersey, was a visitor last Monday.

Recent rains have worked havoc with the tunnel embankment. Men have been busy, since last Wednesday grading it. The thunder storm of Friday night overflooded the gutters and washed away a large quantity of earth, so the work had to be done over again.

And still the list of bicycle converts at Fanwood is increasing. The latest addition is John R. Wilcox, the eldest son of Steward and Matron Wilcox. The wheel is a Duber Special and weighs 24 lbs.

Misses Jaycox, Olin, Hasty and Zettel, were callers at the Institution Monday. Miss Zettel will enter the Introductory Class of Gallaudet College in the Fall.

Tutor W. G. Shanks starts on his four weeks' vacation on Wednesday morning, July 1st. He intends going to Albany, then up the Mohawk Valley to Lake Champlain, and back again *via* the Sound.

Principal Currier arrived from Essex, N. Y., Tuesday morning.

Misses Stark and Burdick, supervisors of the girls, resigned their positions on Wednesday, July 1st.

Mr. George Heald, a friend of Tutor Shanks, called to see him Tuesday. He will accompany him on his vacation, as far as Albany.

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PHILADELPHIA.

Eleventh Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society.

OVER TWO HUNDRED IN ATTENDANCE.

Full Account of the Meeting, Which Was One of the Most Successful in the History of the Society.

From our Philadelphia Correspondent.

The Eleventh Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf began its sessions in the Assembly Room of the School of Industrial Art, Broad and Pine Streets, which was formerly the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, on Tuesday afternoon, June 23d, 1896. The attendance was very good for the first day, numbering over two hundred, and including a good sprinkling of the delegates to the National Convention. The leading deaf clergy of the country formed a conspicious body in the audience, and the number and "beauty" of the fair sex was a noticeable fact.

Curiosity in seeing the changes wrought in the building of their old *Alma Mater*, which is still, and ever will be dear to the hearts of its graduates, may have been largely responsible for the large attendance. While the exterior of the old building has not been visibly changed, the interior presents a marked change. It occasioned no small amount of comment by the crowd that congregated in the hall and at the entrance of the building where the changes were most extensive. The assembly-room, which was formerly the chapel, has been entirely re-arranged, but not enlarged. The gallery and sloping floor have been removed and the platform which used to face the west now greets the rising sun. Altogether the changes are more adapted to an art school, such as it now is, than to a boarding school, but the deaf here shall continue to take an interest in the building as long as its venerable walls stand.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. J. M. Koehler, at 3.20 o'clock.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, of Ohio, offered prayer.

President Koehler then delivered a short annual address upon current topics of interest. He stated that the meeting was held in accordance with the Charter and Constitution of the Society and that the chief business of the meeting was to elect officers and transact such other business as may be required. No great preparations had been made for new work, as it was desired to allow greater importance attached to the National Association's meetings and thereby avoid public confusion of the two societies. This respect he considered due to an association that was national in character. Referring to the fact that the Home Fund had made no considerable progress since the previous meeting he added:

"Last year's meeting at Williamsport awakened considerable public interest in our proposed Home for the Deaf, and a proposition has been received containing an offer of $5000 for the establishment of the institudon at Williamsport. It has been thought advisable, however, to withhold our decision in the belief that we may receive similar offers from a section more central in its locality.

"For years we have been seeking legislation looking toward the compulsory education of the deaf, and when the general bill was passed last year, we succeeded in securing the addition of a compulsory education clause affecting the deaf. We hope for good results, but our schools are all too small, and a new one is badly needed in the Northwestern part of the State."

He concluded his address by calling attention to some minor matters and a few words of encouragement for the Society's future.

Ex-Secretary, A. L. Pach, who had removed from the State, on being called to read the minutes of the Society during his incumbency, told why he had left the Society and thought it was not improbable that he might return to Pennsylvania at some future time.

On motion of Mr. Breen, of Philadelphia, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The President expressed regret at Mr. Pach's severance of connection with the Society.

Secretary Reider then read the report of the Board of Managers, which follows:

"At the meeting of the Board in December last, the regular secretary being absent and having removed from this State, the undersigned was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

"The report of Treasurer Allabough which showed receipts of $72.91 and expenditures of $49.36, with a balance of $23.55 and a deficit of $22.20 for the Home Fund, was adopted as was also the report of the Treasurer af the Trustees of the Society, giving receipts as $,3261.46 and expenses as $51.50, with a balance of $3,209.96.

"On the order of the Board the profits of the excursion to Eagles Mere last summer, amounting to $17.50, were paid into the Expense Fund of the Society.

"Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, Rev. Dr. Clerc and Rev. Rev. J. M. Koehler were unanimously re-elected the Trustees of the Society

"Owing to the fact that the National Association of the Deaf is to convene in this city this summer, and in order to avoid any confusion with their arrangements, the Board decided to empower the President of the Society to both fix the dates and arrange the details of the meeting thus avoiding the time and expense of another meeting of that body.

"The Executive Committee was empowered to provide for any deficit of the Society at its discretion.

"It was also resolved that at future meetings of the Society all the proceeds from excursions or other sources of the kind shall be paid into the Expense Fund of the Society to meet its obligations."

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. REIDER,
Sec'y pro tem.

PHILA., June 23, 1896.

The above report was adopted.

The President announced the absence of the Treasurer and that his report had not arrived yet.

Mr. William H. Lipsett was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms.

The following committees were then appointed by the President:

Committee on Business—Thomas Breen, Phila.; O. J. Whildin, Phila.; Wm. A. Miles, Manayunk.

Committee on Nominations—Robert M. Zeigler, Phila.; Wm. A. Miles, Manayunk; Wm. McKinney, Phila.; Henry S. Stevenson, Phila.; Mrs. M. J. Syle, Germantown; Miss A. C. Schatz, Reading.

The Committees were requested to report Friday afternoon.

At the suggestion of the Chair, Mr. Whildin moved, and Mr. Pach seconded the appointment of a Committee on Resolutions to consist of three members. Passed.

Messrs. O. J. Whildin, Phila.; Mr. Alex L. Pach, Newark, N. J.; and Miss T. Schoenenberger, Ashland, were appointed the committee.

At this point the President called attention the fact that the Society had had a set of resolutions, expressing its gratitude to the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb for their generous treatment and entertainment of the members of the 1894 convention, beautifully engrossed and framed. They were exhibited at the Williamsport convention, where the formal presentation took place, and Dr. Crouter accepted them on behalf of the Board of Directors. Much to his regret the resolutions were still undelivered and their whereabouts unknown. He thought the Society should make amends if they were lost, and Mr. Pach was called upon to explain his part in connection with them.

Mr. Pach explained how he had trusted the resolutions to the care of a certain person, a resident of Williamsport, and afterwards missed them. He thought they could be found. But, if the President could not find them, he should be willing to act as a committee to trace them.

Accordingly the President appointed Mr. Pach such a committee.

The President then explained the arrangements for the next day, and urged the members to join the National Association on its excursion to Atlantic City on Thursday, and to its banquet on Friday evening.

Mr. Wm. L. Davis, Phila., was appointed to succeed Mrs. Syle on the Nominating Committee, the latter having declined to serve.

On motion of O. J. Whildin, Phila.; the following Committee on Enrollment was appointed: Harry E. Stevens, Merchantville, N. J.; Wm. H. Lipsett, Phila., and Miss Lizzie Hagy, Reading.

There being a lull in the proceedings, the President invited Mr. E. A. Hodgson, Editor of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, of New York, to make an address, which he did. Among other things, he said that he had not come here as a stranger, for the Society had long since conferred honorary membership upon him. He found this meeting, as usual, a representative Pennsylvania meeting. In the President he saw two distinct characteristics—a spiritual leader and leader of men. The young Secretary, compared with the tall form of the President and his works, presented an example of the important part that progressive youth is playing in the Society. In concluding, he referred to the good object of such a society in pointing out errors and correcting other misconceptions concerning the deaf.

The President, noticing that Mr. Hodgson was undesignated, presented him with a badge which he accepted with an appreciative smile, and the whole (?) audience smiled in turn then.

A suggestion was received asking for the nomination of cities from which to select the next place of meeting of the Society. It was acted upon and the following cities were nominated: Scranton, Mauch Chunk, Pittsburgh, Wilkesbarre, Erie, and Gettysburg.

R. M. Zeigler, Phila., asked the question, whether a member living outside of the State can hold office in the Society.

The Chair quoted the rules in reference to the matter, and decided that there was nothing in them to prohibit such persons from holding office. He thought, however, that it was a point worthy of attention of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws. An objection to the privilege under the present rules could not be sustained.

Mr. Zeigler asked the President to appoint a committee from the Society to assist the Local Committee of the National Association in directing visitors about the city.

The President said that he wished every member to consider himself a member of that Committee.

On the suggestion of the President to have the matter of the eligibility of members living in other States holding office, referred to the Board of Managers for its consideration, Mr. R. M. Zeigler moved that the matter be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws. This was agreed to.

Adjournment followed.

On Tuesday evening, June 23d, the members attended a reception tendered by the Board of Directors in Wissinoming Hall, Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Mt. Airy, from 8 to 11 P.M. It was given for persons attending the National Convention as well. Dr. and Mrs. Crouter, as host and hostess received them for the Board.

There was music and dancing, and later in the evening refreshments were served. Altogether it was a very enjoyable affair.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the visitors to the city and many others attended a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at All Souls' Church for the Deaf. Rev. A. W. Mann, of Ohio, was celebrant and was assisted by the Rev. J. M. Koehler rector of the Church. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. H. Cloud, who took for his text the words Ephphatha: "Be Opened," found in Mark VII, 14.

He called attention to the marked change which has taken place in the condition of the deaf in the last century, and ascribed it to a well-defined plan of God for the welfare of those people, and said that as the dumb responded to the command of the Saviour so should the hearts of all be opened to heed His Divine message.

Rev. Job Turner and Lay Reader W. G. Jones, of New York, also took part in the service.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Wednesday evening, June 24th, 1896, Assembly Room of the School of Industrial Art, the President presiding. Notwithstanding the inclement weather the attendance was again very good.

Rev. Jas. H. Cloud, of St. Thomas' Mission, St. Louis, Mo., offered prayer.

President Koehler made a brief address in which he said that he had expected the Mayor of this city to be on hand and deliver an address of welcome, but instead he had received a letter from him expressing sincere regret at his inability to be present owing to absence from the city at this time. He next expected either Bishop Whittaker or the Archdeacon of the Diocese to perform that function, but neither one put in an appearance. Although disappointed in these instances he felt sure that the Society was not lacking in friends, and therefore he would call on a gentleman present who had once presided over this building and lectured to us many times in this very room—Dr. A. L. E. Crouter.

Dr. Crouter said that we could imagine his feelings at being asked to take the place of Bishop Whittaker. He had not forgotten the use of signs and he cherished many pleasant memories of this old place. One of these was the 50th anniversary celebration. He urged the audience to attach more importance to writing and spelling in daily life and reserve the sign-language for public discourses and meetings, and ended by extending visitors a cordial welcome to Philadelphia and wishing us all a good time.

The President noted the fact that the Mt. Airy School had entertained about four hundred persons at the reception on Tuesday evening. He believed the Board of Directors was giving all methods a fair trial, and thanked Dr. Crouter for his encouraging remarks.

The report of Treasurer B. R. Allabough, Pittsburg, was read by R. M. Ziegler, who acted as Treasurer *pro tem.* in the former's absence.

The receipts since the last convention amounted to $121.91, and the expenditures, $110.15, leaving a balance of $11.76. The temporary treasurer had collected about $30 in membership fees, which was not included in the report.

On motion of Wm. McKinney, Phila., seconded by Daniel Paul, Carlisle, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Enrollment reported ninety-four active members to date.

Rev. J. M. Koehler, Secretary, reported for the Board of Trustees of the Society. The Board had organized by the re-election of Dr. A. L. E. Crouter as Chairman, Rev. Mr. Koehler, as Secretary, and a new departure was made by electing John P. Walker, Esq., as Treasurer. There was no new work to report, but the prospects for the Home continued good. The following statement of the condition of the Home Fund was submitted:

Balance at last report.....	$3,209 96
Added.....	46 74
Amount to date.....	$3,256 70

The above report was accepted.

Rev. A. W. Mann, of Ohio, was invited to address the meeting with particular reference to the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf of his State. After pointing out the importance of such a home, he told of the establishment of the one in his State, which now had about thirty acres.

Prof. T. F. Fox, of New York, President of the National Association of the Deaf was next asked to speak. He congratulated the Society upon its good work and advised it to always stand up for its rights before the public. The deaf of New York will do such a thing at their coming convention. They will demand of their Legislature that the time has come when their institutions for the instruction of the deaf should be taken from the category of charities. He believed the present system of classification as very unfair to the deaf and contrary to the spirit of the Constitution of the United States. In conclusion he, as President, extended the Society the greetings of the National Association and his best wishes for the future success of the Society.

The President thanked President Fox for his kind wishes and felt sure that all would join him in reciprocating them.

An interesting address was made by Babu Jamini Nath Banerji, principal of the Calcutta Deaf and Dumb School. He said that while India had a deaf and dumb population of over 200,000, yet there were but two schools and these were sustained principally by private contributions, the Government offering but little support.

Prof. Edwin Stanley Thompson, of the Oral Department at the Mt. Airy School, and Mr. Albert Berg, also made addresses, the latter suggesting a National home to be supported by the States from which the inmates came.

The President said Mr. Berg's suggestion would be referred to the Trustees of the Society.

R. M. Ziegler moved that Mr. M. Heyman, of New York, be asked to take a collection for the benefit of Mr. Banerji's school in India. Agreed to.

The collection amounted to $8.42.

Adjournment.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25.

The members of the Society joined the National Association on its excursion to Atlantic City, N. J. Although the weather was disagreeable, yet about 200 attended.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26.

The meeting was called to order, at 3:36 P.M., by President Koehler.

Prayer was offered by Rev. P. J. Hasenstab, of Illinois, a Methodist Missionary.

Rev. Mr. Hasenstab was invited to address the meeting previous to starting for home that afternoon.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following resolutions through Chairman Whildin.

Resolved, That the Society heartily approves of the efforts being put forth by the National Association of the Deaf of America, this day adjourned *sine die*, to form a truly representative body of the deaf of America; and, be it further

Resolved, That a committee of three members of this Society be appointed by the President to meet the Committee of the National Association in the furtherance of this object.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society are due the following railroads for the greatly reduced rates which have been granted those attending the meetings of the Society, *viz*; the Baltimore and Ohio R.R., the Phila. and Reading R. R., Lehigh Valley R. R., and the Central R. R., of New Jersey.

Resolved, That the Society thank the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb for the cordial welcome extended to its members and for the handsome and sumptuous reception recently accorded them.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf are due the Board of Directors of the School of Industrial Art for the use of the Assembly Hall of the School, wherein the meetings of the Society have been held, and also for numerous other courtesies shown the officers and members of the Society.

Resolved, That the members gratefully appreciate the interest shown and help extended by Revs. Gallaudet, Mann, Cloud, Hasenstab, and by Messrs. Crouter and Booth, who kindly proffered their services as interpreters.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be tendered to the representatives of the Philadelphia papers for their efforts and their very accurate reports.

The above resolutions were collectively and unanimously adopted. The President, after reminding the Society of the good works of the late Wm. G. Jenkins, suggested that the Committee on Resolutions be instructed to prepare a resolution in his memory. Agreed to.

The Committee on Business was not ready to report. Short addresses were then made by Rev. Dr. Gallaudet and Messrs. J. C. Balis, of Canada, and Theop. D'Estrella, of California.

The Committee on Resolutions then reported the following:

Resolved, That the Society express its unbounded admiration for the unselfish labors of the recently deceased Mr. William Gurney Jenkins, teacher in the Hartford School, in behalf of the Deaf. Mr. Jenkins was a model teacher of the deaf, a Christian man, and a kind and affectionate friend of all among whom he labored, and in his death the Society has lost a friend and the deaf of the whole country a steadfast and staunch supporter of all that tends to advance their general welfare; and, be it further

Resolved, That the President appoint a Committee of three to confer with the committees of other associations in the matter of erecting a suitable memorial in his honor.

On motion of Mr. Reider, seconded by Mr. Paul, Carlisle, the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Chairman Stevens, of the Committee on Enrollment, reported ninety-six members and read the roll.

R. M. Ziegler, Chairman, then gave the report of the Nominating Committee, as follows:

For President—Rev. J. M. Koehler, of Philadelphia.

First Vice-President—Geo. M. Teegarden, of Wilkinsburg.

Second Vice-President—Miss Anna C. Schaatz, of Reading.

Secretary—Harry E. Stevens, Merchantville, N. J.

Treasurer—Brewster R. Allabough, of Edgewood Park.

Managers—Thomas Breen, Phila., Term expires 1898. John Rolshouse, Pittsburg, Term expires 1898. R. M. Ziegler, Phila., Term expires 1900. Wm. H. Lipsett, Phila., Term expires 1900.

Second Vice-President Paul in the Chair.

Mr. Pach moves that the Secretary cast the ballot for the whole list of officers. Seconded by Mr. Breen and passed.

A. L. Pach was appointed teller. Thereupon the Secretary cast the ballot for the officers as reported by the Nominating Committee, and the Chair declared them elected.

President Koehler, after thanking the society for the honor of being re-elected, which was entirely unexpected, resumed the Chair.

The Nominating Committee then announced Erie as the place for the next meeting of the Society in 1897. Approved by a vote.

A short address was made by Mr. H. Van Allen, of New York, after which the Rev. A. W. Mann, pronounced the benediction, and the President declared the convention adjourned *sine die*.

VIRGINIA.

(From the Goodson Gazette.)

At a meeting of the Board of Visitors, held at the Institution on June 5th and 6th, Mr. W. A. Bowles, of Basic City, formerly Superintendent of Public Schools in Staunton, and later, Principal of the Richmond High School, was elected Superintendent of the Institution for the term of two years, beginning July 1st, 1896.

All of the old teachers in the Deaf-mute Department were re-elected except Mr. Lou G. Doyle of the Third Class, who declined re-election. His place was supplied by the election of Miss Devereux.

In the Blind Department, Messrs. Poyntz and McCambridge were re-elected. Miss Kerr declined the position of seamstress, etc., which was offered to her. Mrs. Annie Camp, the present Matron, was offered the position of Governess of the Girls of both departments, but, feeling herself not sufficiently acquainted with the language of the deaf to discharge the duties of it efficiently, she declined the offer. Mrs. W. H. Tabb was elected Matron in place of Mrs. Camp.

Miss Mary Cameron was chosen Governess of the girls.

Miss Chidester was elected teached of the blind boys.

Mr. W. E. Briggs was appointed Monitor of the deaf boys.

Miss Kayser was chosen Assistant Matron.

Mrs. Wilson was elected seamstress.

All of the foremen of the shops were re-elected except in the tailor shop, which appointment was held over until the October meeting.

The closing exercises were held at half-past ten o'clock, Friday morning, June 12th.

There will be a special meeting of the Institution Board on the 27th instant, to take an inventory of the property and witness the change in management on July 1st. The Board yesterday accept Superintendent Bowles' bond of $5,000. —They also decided to retain Mrs. Bear, the present assistant governess, until January 1, by which time the new lady officials are expected to be acquainted with their duties.

Eighteenth Convention of the EMPIRE STATE ASSOCIATION of Deaf-Mutes.

The regular business meeting of the Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes will be held at ROCHESTER on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JULY 31 AND AUGUST 1, 1896.

PLACE OF MEETING.

The Rochester Young Men's Christian Association has kindly placed one of its halls at the disposal of the Association. The Y. M. C. A. building is most conveniently located at the corner of South St. Paul and Court Streets. To reach the hall take elevator from first floor.

SESSIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The morning and afternoon of Friday, July 31, will be devoted to tne transaction of the regular business of the association. The following order of business will be observed:

MORNING SESSION—9 A.M.

1. Prayer.
2. Presidents' Address.
3. Reports of Officers.
4. Reports of Committees.
5. Reading of papers, with discussion thereof.

Recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 P.M.

1. Reading of papers.
2. Miscellaneous business.
3. Election of officers.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

A service for the deaf will or held in St. Paul's Chapel on Mortimer Street (off North St. Paul Street, about two blocks from Main) on Friday evening, July 31st, at half past seven o'clock, to which the members of the association are cordially invited.

HOTEL RATES.

The New Osburn House on South St. Paul Street near Court, and but a few steps from the Y. M. C. A. building, is designated as the headquarters of the Association. This is a first class hotel with ample accommodations, and it offers the following rates to members: Two persons in a room, $1.50 each per day; single rooms, $1.75.

The Whitcomb House, corner of Main and Clinton Streets, offers to following rates: Two persons in a room, $1.75 each per day; single rooms, $2.00.

Free busses for the hotels meet arrivals at all depots.

RAILROAD RATES.

An effort is making to secure substantial reductions for members from the various railroads. Notice of the rates obtained will be given in the course of a few weeks.

COMMITTEES, ETC.

The Rev. C. O. Dantzer is chairman of the local committee, and to him all communications in regard to the local arrangements should be made. The secretary has charge of the arrangements for the business meetings of the Association and all persons desiring to read papers or otherwise to take part in the proceedings are urged to communicate with him at once.

Members are requested to watch this notice for changes and additions, which will be made from week to week from this time forward.

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